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## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 22nd December.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BAKERLEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## ALLEGED MURDER.

Charles Smith, age 20, unemployed seaman, fixed abode U.S.A.; Erik Hogman, age 22, unemployed seaman, fixed abode Finland; William Nason, age 17, unemployed seaman, fixed abode U.S.A., were charged with having, on the 27th November last, in Victoria Harbour, wilfully and maliciously with a fire-rocket, killed Chan Yee. The Hon. Mr. H. S. Bakerley, K.C. (Attorney-General), instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley (Crown Solicitor), proceeded on behalf of the Crown, and the prisoners were defended as follows:—The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, for Charles Smith; Mr. Norman Ferrers, for Erik Hogman; Mr. H. S. Calthrop, for William Nason. Mr. O. D. Thomson instructed in each instance.

The prisoners pleaded not guilty. The following jurors were sworn, eight others having first been challenged:—Messrs. C. H. W. Kew (Foreman), S. J. Michael, T. Banks, C. G. S. Mackie, J. Johnstone, R. H. King and G. M. Smith.

In his opening statement for the Crown the Attorney-General said that the present charge against the prisoners was that of murdering a woman called Chan Yee, by drowning, on the night of the 27th November last. He then proceeded to outline the case, but said he would defer any comment till after they had heard the evidence. The law, he thought, was simple in the case. There are only two points that could possibly arise. Where several persons joined together for an unlawful purpose, intending to resist such as may oppose them, they were all guilty of murder if death should be caused in the prosecution of that purpose. He should certainly prove that the prisoners set out on an expedition with the unlawful common purpose of stealing a sampan and of resisting the crew in case the crew endeavoured to defeat their purpose. He did not suggest for a moment that their sole object was to kill. The worst murderer they had had—Peace—was hanged for a murder which, it was clear, he did not set out to do, but he set out for an unlawful purpose. It was also immaterial whether the deceased were actually thrown overboard or whether they jumped overboard, dreading the prisoners' violence. The evidence, he thought, was perfectly clear that they were thrown overboard, but even supposing there were any doubts about the fact the prisoners would be responsible. The prisoners had been here for many months. He did not wish to say more on that point, but the men belonged to a class which was becoming a curse to the community. Acting for the Crown, he did not desire to unduly press the charge against the unhappy men, but he thought that when the jury had heard the evidence they would not be able to entertain doubt that they were guilty of the charge.

Kwok Tai Chan said—I am a sampan man. I owned a sampan on the 27th November—a third class passenger sampan. I have not seen it since the 27th November. Formerly I lived on it with my wife, Chan Yee—the deceased. Kwok Su, a son sixteen years old, Kwok Nui, a daughter aged thirteen, Kwok Sai Lo, a son nine years old, and Kwok Pit, a daughter aged four. On the evening of Sunday, the 27th, at about a quarter to nine, I saw the prisoners. I was in the street near the Praya. My sampan was lying off the Praya wharf, anchored a little way off. She was close to Pottinger Street Wharf. The wind that night was light from the north-east; there was a spring tide towards the west. When I saw the prisoners they were standing together on the Praya wharf. I asked "You want sampan?" and he (Charles Smith) said "Yes." "What ship, please?" I said; he said "Want go four-mast Am rian, California, China." He said "How much charge?" My say "Too dark, wind, three men, eighty cents." He said "Sixty" and we agreed to seventy cents. He (Smith) carried on the whole conversation. He told me to get the boat alongside, and they went down and got on board. The first prisoner climbed down by the mast; the second and third jumped into the boat. I want to go to, but he (Smith) said I need not go, so I did not go. I walked on the wharf and saw the boat off, and saw one of the prisoners hoist up a sail; then they disappeared, heading towards the China. I waited for the return of my boat. A man named Fung Tsat Sing and my son Kwok Su came up to me and made a report; my son was carrying a jacket which was wet. He was wearing dry clothes, but his hair was wet. I went up to Central Police Station with him and made a report. I had given my wife \$20 on the previous Friday, but do not know if she had any on the sampan. I next saw Kwok Nui and Kwok Sai Lo, my other children, on the next Friday. They were in the Detective Department at Central Police Station. That was at about ten o'clock in the morning. I have never since the night in question seen my wife and other child alive. On the Friday at about noon I saw the dead body of my wife at the Water Police Station, Kowloon. I saw the dead body of Kwok Pit, my daughter, next day at the same place. A day or two afterwards I was taken in the goal to see if I could identify the prisoners. There were about twenty in a row, but I only identified one (Smith). I recognise this (a looking glass); it is my property. It was in my sampan on the night of the 27th November. I recognise this (a broken piece of a tea-cup stand); it was in the stern of the sampan on the night the prisoners went away. That is my son; that my daughter; and that my daughter. They

were three of my four children on the sampan that night.

By the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai—I had left my boat a little over an hour when I first saw the prisoners. I was standing about three or four cheung from my boat. I did not meet any of my friends during that hour. First of all I bought some fruit, and then was looking for business. I did not notice any Europeans passing by during that hour, though I was looking for them; and I saw no constables. I first saw the first prisoner coming from the direction of the German Theatre. It was very dark. I looked into the sampan and saw these exhibits before the prisoners left.

Kwok Su, son of the first witness, in his evidence said:—We went out rowing, but the foreigners put up the sail. I was in the rowing; my mother was steering in the stern, also my two sisters; my nine-year-old brother was asleep in the main hold. I continued rowing after the sail was put up. First of all I saw one of the prisoners pressing my mother down. Next, another of the prisoners pressed my sister down; I was pressed down too, by that prisoner (William Nason). First of all Nason was sitting down in the well, and then he came forward. He put his two hands around my neck. He hit me on the head just above the ear. He cut my leg with a small knife. He had not the knife in his hand when he first attacked me; he got it during the struggle. The struggle lasted some time; about half an hour. He was trying to tie my feet with a cord. Finally, he threw me overboard. I swam towards the American steamer, and a boat came to where I was and picked me up. I shouted out "Save life." I clung on to the rudder of the American steamer (one funnel and three masts). I was about half an hour in the water. I told the sampan people what had happened. They were on their way to Yamnati, but turned around and came to Hongkong. I got dry clothes on the sampan, and was brought to where my father was. My mother and Kwok Pit were still on board when I was thrown overboard. I have never seen my mother alive since. I was taken to the goal to identify the prisoners. There were numerous foreigners put in a row; I identified the third prisoner (William Nason). When I was thrown overboard I was near the Austrian Lloyd steamer.

By Mr. Norman Ferrers—I do not recognise the second prisoner (Charles Smith). I can only speak to the third prisoner.

By Mr. Calthrop—When produced, the knife was open. I was struggling the whole time. I did not get near the side of the boat. At the Police Court I said the Austrian Lloyd steamer was only five sampan lengths off, and the boat that picked me up only two sampan lengths off. It would be difficult to fall overboard.

Kwok Nui said that she walked forward, fell into the hold, and became unconscious. She had a knock. She went ashore.

Fung Tsat Sing, the boatman who picked up the boy, gave corroborative evidence. He was on his way from near the Harbour Office to his usual anchorage at Yamnati, and when he saw the American mail, heard the boy shouting out "Save life." He did not see the sampan from which the boy had been thrown. The American steamer had one yellow funnel and three masts.

Chang Sui, a farmer from Cheung-sha, near Pui-to, in Lantau Island, said:—I was picking oysters on the shore and found two children near some rocks. I took them to the village and kept them for two or three days, and then took them to the police station at Cheung Chow (Dumbell Island) in consequence of what they had told me. The girl had a wound on her right eye. I saw a strange sampan, which was afterwards smashed to pieces by the sea.

Another man from Lantau gave similar evidence.

Kwong Luk said: I am a fisherman from Sham Shui Kok, Lantau Island, near Capiti-mun. I saw three foreigners at my place on the 1st December. That was at four o'clock in the afternoon. I was working. One of them asked me for some tobacco. I gave them some and offered them rice. They did not accept the food. They did not pay any money. I identify the first two prisoners (Smith and Hogman). Later, I was cooking my rice, and one of them came up to me with a twenty-cent piece, and pointed to my boat. By gestures they indicated that they wanted to go to the mainland in my boat. This I refused and they went away in my boat. I went to Cho Fat, the owner of the boat, and three of us got into a second boat and chased them as far as Motaisan (The Brothers) and then caught them. Then the men got into our boat, and were landed on the mainland. On the fourth of December I went to the goal and identified two of the prisoners (Smith and Hogman).

So Fat, another fisherman, who had taken part in the chase, gave evidence. They landed the three men near Castle Peak.

P. C. Walter Edwards said:—On the afternoon of the 3rd December I found the body of a child about fifty yards west of Kallet Island, and brought it to the Water Police Station. The body was identified on the same evening by the child's father—that man (first witness).

By Mr. Ferrers—The clothes were not in any way torn as far as I could see.

P. C. George Bird said:—On the morning of the 2nd December I found the body of a woman near Kallet Island, and brought it to the Water Police Station.

By Mr. Ferrers—The body was naked.

Wong Yuen Sun, coxswain of No. 3 Police Launch, gave corroborative evidence.

Police Inspector Withers said:—On the night of the 27th November I was on duty at Central Police Station, and his report was made by a man and his son—these. The boy's clothes were dry, but he had a wet jacket with him, and his hair was wet. On the 2nd De-

cember I brought them to the Water Police Station to identify the body of the woman.

By Mr. Ferrers—The boy complained that he had been bitten on the head and otherwise assaulted. At that time he said nothing about injury to his ankle, or about the knife.

Re-examined—He complained of having been thrown overboard.

Dr. William Hunter, M.O. in charge of post-mortem examinations, said:—On the 3rd December I made an examination of the body of Chan Yee. From the examination I should say she had been dead about a week, and cause of death, drowning. I also examined the body of a child. I should say the cause of death and length of time in this case was the same as in the former. Wounds immediately before death would not have been visible.

By Mr. Ferrers—I could not see any marks of violence on the body of the woman.

P. S. Kerr said:—On the morning of the 3rd December I was on the shore at Sha Kong in Deep Bay, and saw the three prisoners going along the shore towards Mong Ching. With several Indian police constables I arrested the prisoners. They turned back, but could not get away. On one of them (Hogman) was found a looking-glass and a small sum of money, something less than two dollars. A knife was found on the person of Nason and a razor on Smith.

By Mr. Ferrers—The arrest was made three or four miles from Chinese territory. The prisoners did not try to get away. They were following a line that would have brought them into Chinese territory.

Re-examined—They could not have got away as I had Indian constables both before and behind them.

The Chief Detective Inspector, Mr. Hanson, said:—At about 9 a.m. on the 28th November, I first saw the boy. He had a fresh mark on the right side of the head, and a long incised wound on the right leg above the ankle. I took it to have been inflicted by a knife. The boatman who identified the first prisoner did not make any false identifications. The man who identified the other prisoners picked out one wrong one. Some days later I went with the little girl to Lantau Island and found this exhibit (the piece of the tea stand).

Mr. Hanson here read the statements made by the prisoners when charged at the police station. These have already been reported in the Daily Press.

Dr. Ho Kai objected to William Nason's statement on the ground that the statement of one prisoner cannot be taken as evidence against another prisoner. Parts of the statement ought to be expunged.

His Lordship—You cannot leave it out altogether.

Dr. Ho Kai—I beg to quote "Russell on Crime."

His Lordship—Before you proceed I must make this fact clear—was the statement of each prisoner made in the presence of the other prisoners?

Mr. Hanson—No, they made their statements separately.

His Lordship—If they had made their statements, the one in the presence of the other, an objection for which there is authority, would arise, but this point does not arise because they tell me that they were apart.

Dr. Ho Kai—I said that if these statements could not be excluded they would, in each case, only be regarded as evidence against the man who made them.

His Lordship—I shall tell the jury that each man's admission is to be regarded against himself only.

Dr. Ho Kai submitted that it would be a pity to allow the jury to hear any part of a statement made, perhaps without any grounds whatever, against another prisoner. He asked His Lordship to reject anything in each of the statements applying to others than the man who made them.

Mr. Ferrers raised the same question, saying that a man might make a statement affecting others only.

His Lordship overruled the objection—if a man did as Mr. Ferrers suggested it would not be evidence against himself.

William Nason's statements read out at the Police Court were read.

Mr. Ferrers objected to Erik Hogman's statement being admitted as evidence because it was translated from the Swedish language and taken down in English, and not taken down in Swedish. He said that in the courts at Hongkong there was great carelessness regarding interpretations.

His Lordship overruled this objection for the time being; Mr. Ferrers would have time before this morning to prove, if such were the case, that the Swedish interpreter was not a competent one.

Dr. Ho Kai—With regard to the statements made before the magistrate I repeat the objection I made before.

His Lordship noted this and the statements were read.

P. S. Boole gave evidence as to the position of the steamers mentioned on the night of the 27th November.

The Attorney-General—That closes the case for the Crown, My Lord.

In adjourning the case His Lordship said he was very sorry, but he would have to give instructions to the usher to find the jurors beds for the night. After precedents being quoted, however, His Lordship allowed the jurors to go home on the express understanding that they would not discuss the case with anyone outside.

## THE NEW SUBMARINES.

Very great success has attended the experiments in deep water of the B 1 submarine which was launched at Borrow in the early part of November. She was performing evolutions for two hours, and then appeared on the surface two miles from the pilot boat. The Admiralty have been awaiting the result of these experiments before ordering additions to the submarine flotilla.

## THE MAILS.

The following letters appeared in the minutes of the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce. Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce Shanghai, 21st October, 1904.

## The Chairman.

The London Chamber of Commerce, Oxford Court, London, E.C.

SIR.—The irregularity and uncertainty of the arrival of letters from Europe forwarded by the Messageries Maritimes has for some long time caused great inconvenience and dissatisfaction among merchants and others here.

During the current year the mails by English Packet have been delivered on an average in 32.1 days, by German Packet in 33.6 days, and by French Packet in 35.1 days.

The chief cause of complaint, however, is not in respect of the difference in the average time, but, as above stated, in the irregularity and uncertainty attached to the arrival of the French Mail.

The accompanying table (omitted) showing dates of departure and arrival, number of days occupied in transit, and the interval between arrivals of French and English Mails, demonstrates, I think very clearly, that the idea of a weekly service is very far from realistic.

European correspondents are apt to imagine that in posting duplicates of English Mail advices by the following French Mail, they are ensuring the arrival of letters and documents in advance of cargo. This, however, is by no means the case, and serious inconvenience and delay are caused by the reverse of this being a common experience.

It is possible that this state of affairs is not so fully appreciated at Home as it is on this side, and as this Chamber feels that the matter is one of very considerable importance I venture to ask the good offices of your Chamber in bringing it to the notice of the Postal Authorities, in the hope that a solution of the difficulty may be found, either in the improvement of the present service or in its substitution by another and more efficient medium.

I may add that it has happened more than once that an overdue French Mail has been brought from Singapore or Hongkong by an English Mail steamer, thus bringing within the range of possibility the loss of both original and duplicate advices, a contingency which might involve very serious consequences.

I am also addressing the Manchester Chamber of Commerce on this subject.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant, (Signed) WILLIAM D. LITTLE, Chairman.

## Chamber of Commerce,

Singapore, 4th November, 1904.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 21st ultimo with copy of your Chamber's letter of that date addressed to the London Chamber drawing attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the French Mail Service and suggesting that the matter be laid before the Postal Authorities.

2.—The Government here has recently arranged for the despatch of an Outward and Homeward Mail Service via Nagasaki through the more efficient medium of the British India Steam Navigation Company, as explained in the accompanying extract from the Chairman's address at the half-yearly General Meeting held on the 22nd September last.

We fear any representations on the part of this Chamber to the Postal Authorities here would therefore have little effect, and we are at present practically independent of the French Mail Service; still, we are quite in sympathy with your Chamber in this matter.—Yours faithfully,

(Signed) A. J. GUNN, Secretary.

## JAPANESE REFUGEES ARRIVE AT NAGASAKI.

The N.D.L. s.s. *Wilhelms* arrived at Nagasaki on Dec. 7th from Bremen, with 829 Japanese on board, refugees from the Russian empire. The greater number, 679, landed there. Of the others, 28 were to land at Moji, 16 at Kobe, and 108 at Yokohama.

The refugees state that they have been treated with the utmost kindness and consideration throughout their long journey. Upon arrival at Bremen, they were sent on board the N.D.L. s.s. *Gera* as a temporary measure until the *Wilhelms* was ready to receive them.

Before leaving Germany, a meeting was held, and amongst those present were the Japanese Consul at Bremen, Mr. Max Nozaki, Mr. Kikuchi, an attaché of the Japanese Legation at Berlin; Dr. Hori; several members of the Bremen Senate; officials of the Norddeutscher Lloyd Steamship Company; and the members of the Bremen Relief Committee. Speeches, expressing sympathy with the refugees, were made by the Japanese Consul and a representative of the Bremen Senate. One of the refugees, Mr. Shiwon, thanked the Relief Committee, the Japanese Consul and others for the help rendered to his countrymen in their time of trouble. An address signed by many of the refugees was presented to the Japanese Consul, who, accompanied by his wife and daughter, visited the refugees every day during their stay at Bremen and greatly assisted them. During their stay in Germany the Relief Committee collected fifty cases of clothing, toys for the children, etc., from sympathetic German friends.

Twenty-five of the refugees died during their journey to Bremen and two during their voyage to this port; one died the second day of the voyage, and the other on the 5th inst.; they were buried at sea, the Buddhist ritual being observed. One birth took place on the voyage on November 29th.

When the *Wilhelms* arrived, Governor Arakawa, Mayor Yokoyama, and many of the leading residents of the city went on board and welcomed the refugees back to the homeland. Hearty *Daio* were given for the captain, officers, and crew of the vessel for the many kindnesses received from them.

Governor Arakawa, entertained the German Consul, Mr. G. Muller-Bock; the N.D.L. agent, Mr. A. Gese; and Captain Zurbornsen and officers of the *Wilhelms* to luncheon at the *Koyotei*. Presents of beer and oranges were sent on board the vessel for distribution among the crew.

Those who landed at Nagasaki were lodged at the Buddhist temples at Tera-machi, prior to their departure to their respective homes.—*Nagasaki Press*.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 22nd at 11.15 a.m. the barometer has risen throughout China, more particularly in Yangtze Valley, and has fallen over the Pacific and in southern Japan.

Gradients are being steeper upon the China Coast and strong N.E. monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and to the northward of it, with fresh monsoon in the northern part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds, cloudy, fair.

## XMAS CARDS.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1904.

## VICTORIA LODGE.

INSTALLATION OF WOR. BRO. C. H. GRACE.

Bro. C. H. Grace was last evening installed Worshipful Master of Victoria Lodge, No. 1,026 English Constitution, in succession to Wor. Bro. C. W. Longuet. The ceremony was performed by Wor. Bro. E. C. Ray, Deputy District Grand Master, and the officers of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, English Constitution. Wor. Bro. Grace installed his officers as follows:—Bro. W. C. Barrett, Senior Warden; Bro. P. W. Goldring, Junior Warden; Bro. W. S. Allen, Treasurer; Wor. Bro. A. O'D. Gourdin, Secretary; Bro. W. J. G. Whitley, Senior Deacon; Bro. C. H. Blasen, Junior Deacon; Bro. H. W. Merrell, Director of Ceremonies; Bro. G. Grimble, Organist; Bros. G. H. Edwards and J. Rankin, Stewards; Bro. J. Owen Hughes, Inner Guard; Bro. J. Vanstone, Tyler.

## NEW GUNNERY TENDERS.

The Admiralty have decided to employ more modern cruisers on gunnery instructional duties at the Home ports, and have directed the *Immortalite*, *Narcissus*, and *Undaunted*, which belong to the old type of "belted cruisers," to be replaced by cruisers of the *Grafton* type, which are larger, faster, and better equipped. The *Endymion*, which was to pay off at Chatham on November 30 from the Channel Fleet, was to be prepared to replace the *Immortalite* at Sheerness; the *Grafton*, late Commodore's ship on the Pacific Station, and which is on her passage to England, is to relieve the *Narcissus* at Portsmouth; and the *Theseus*, late of the Channel Squadron, which was to pay off at Devonport on November 30, succeeds the *Undaunted* at Devonport.

## THE CHINESE IN FORMOSA.

A long lecture delivered in Shanghai recently by Mr. Consul Davidson of Formosa included the following extract:—The Chinese population may be divided into two classes, the Hoklo, who speak the Amoy dialect and who came originally from Fokien province, and the Hakka, who speak a Cantonese dialect and immigrated chiefly from the Kwangtung province, where they were practically outcasts. The Hakkas are a hardy and warlike race and predominate in the savage border districts, where land could be obtained for the taking and where a certain freedom from official oppression was ensured.

Unlike their Hoklo brethren, they are generally fearless, and we thus find them, of all Chinese, most willing to undertake the making of campfires in dangerous districts. There are a few prosperous Hakka villages in the plains; but, as a rule, the Hakka prefers the hills. It is roughly estimated that there are in the islands nearly 500,000 of these people.

The Hoklo, who number over 2,000,000, are the predominant race throughout the island. They have brought with them the customs of their homeland to such a degree that a Chinese village in Formosa presents the same features as a village in their home province. The houses are of like materials and are crowded together in the same unsanitary way, the narrow ill-smelling streets present the same squalor and are as irregular, the street hawkers have the same call and exhibit the same wares, and the people are alike in their dress and habits. Like their brethren on the mainland they are industrious and economical, but, unfortunately, unclean and superstitious. If they possess any advantages over the great masses of the Chinese mainland, it is that the present generation are less anti-foreign and more liberal in many ways. The parents of the thousands of the Formosan Chinese arrived as strangers, practically, in a foreign land; they doubtless met with hardships and unkindnesses while obtaining a foothold, and it is perhaps this fact that has made them look with more kindly spirit towards strangers in general. Without a doubt, the splendid work of the missionary bodies in the island, who lived down the disfavor with which they were at first regarded, accounts to a great degree for the absence of any strong anti-foreign spirit among the people at present.

The first arrivals were Japanese and Chinese pirates, and towards the close of the 16th century Chinese officials had frequent contests with them at sea. The turbulent days following, which recorded the advance of the Tartars over China, drove to the island many daring spirits, including that remarkable warrior and leader, Koxinga.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

The steamer *Tsuyama-maru*, which the Baba Goshi Kaisha lately bought from a foreign shipowner, has now been chartered to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for its Hokkaido service. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has also arranged to charter the *Nitta-maru* from Mr. Okazaki, of Kobe.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The P.M. steamer *Korea*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 3rd inst. via Honolulu, leaves Yokohama for this port this morning, the 23rd inst., via Kobe, &c.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 10 p.m. on Tuesday, the 20th inst., and left again at noon on Wednesday for Yokohama, where she is due to arrive at 1 p.m. to-day.

The A.A. steamer *Manassapa*, from New York, will leave Manila on the 25th inst., and is due here on the 28th inst. The Glen Line steamer *Glenlochy* left Singapore yesterday morning, and may be expected here on the 28th inst.



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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

TENDERS are invited for the supply of SCRAPERS to the Naval Yard.

For Particulars and Forms for tendering apply to the Chief Constructor's Office, Naval Yard.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. 2970

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 26th instant.

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. 2971

## BEKANNTMACHUNG.

Die Bekanntmachungen aus dem diesseitigen Handelsregister, sowie andern gesetzlich vorgeschriebenen Veröffentlichungen werden im Jahre 1905 durch den "Ostasiatischen Lloyd" und "The Hongkong Daily Press" erfolgen.

Swatow, den 20. Dezember 1904.

DER KAISERLICH DEUTSCHE KONSUL I.V. DR. DANMILLER.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. 2973

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## CHRISTMAS EVE.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 24TH DECEMBER.

The following hours of business will be Observed in all Departments.

8.30 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. 2974

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 29th DECEMBER, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at "WOODLANDSIDE," Castle Road, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

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GLASS, CROCKERY and PLATED WARE, &c., BATH-ROOM REQUISITES; 2 CARRYING CHAIRS; 2 RICKSHAS; 2 BICYCLES; 2 SEWING MACHINES; And

One COTTAGE PIANO by "Floyel" (in Good Condition).

Terms.—Cash on delivery.

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GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. 2975

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "ROON," of the NORDDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 1 P.M. To-day, the 22nd inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 29th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 3rd January, 1905, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2976

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS FOR SHANGHAI.

Taking Cargo at through rates to Tientsin and CHENULFO.

THE Steamship "LYEEMOON," Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above port on MONDAY, the 26th inst., at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2968

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship "GREGORY APCAR," Captain J. G. Oliffant, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2954

"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2969

## XMAS ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE.

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. 2904

AT THE CATHOLIC UNION, GLENEALY.

GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. 2941

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## HONGKONG SCHOOLS' FOOTBALL LEAGUE COMPETITION.

THE Entries for this Competition CLOSE on the 24th December. Schools not already notified of the Rules may obtain them from the Hon. Secs. of all competing teams.

Request to meet at SAI-YING-PUN GOV. EXHIBENT SCHOOL on WEDNESDAY, 28th December, at 4.45 P.M., to draw up a list of fixtures for this Season.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2961

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

HONGKONG DERBY, 1905.

A SWEEPSTAKES of \$20 each with \$1,500 added. (Half Forfeit if declared on or before day of closing entries). For China Ponies bona fide Griffins on date of entry. First Pony to receive 70 per cent.; Second 50 per cent.; and third 10 per cent. Weight for per cent.; and a hind 10 per cent. Weight for per cent. One Mile and a half. (Nominations to close to the Clerk of the Course at the Hongkong Club House on SATURDAY, 24th December, 1904).

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. 2962

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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. 2927

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Hongkong, 18th June, 1904. 1888

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS CO., LD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company in Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road, THIS DAY (FRIDAY), the 23rd day of December, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1904.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th to 28th inst., both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. [2906]

HONGKONG, 14th December, 1904.

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Call of \$7.50 per Share has been made in respect of all Shares not fully paid up, and that such call is payable on 2nd January, 1905, at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. [2573]

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1902.

## AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 23rd DECEMBER, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street, A FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE CURIOS.

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TERMS.—As usual.

On View on day of Sale.

Catalogues will be issued.

GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. [2942]

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 24th DECEMBER, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, QUEEN'S ROAD, HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CANTON BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, CARPETS, RUGS, OVERMANTLES, CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE;

2 TYPEWRITERS, 4 ELECTRIC FANS, and 1 LADY'S BICYCLE;

1 COTTAGE PIANO, &c., &c.;

TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer. [2936]

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held TUESDAY, the 27th day of DECEMBER, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the date of sale, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

[2929]

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Reg. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Marine Lot No. 280	Connaught Road, Shek Tong Tsui	148 171 107 457	16,242 258	113,004

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THE TAI LEE COMPANY.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1904. [2560]

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ONE VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one Cylinder 9 1/2 inches diameter by 8 inch stroke.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1904. [2388]

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Hongkong, 1st December, 1904. [430]

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904. [2725]

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [2762]

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1904. [2333]

# MISSIONARY LABOURS IN JAPAN.

The following letter to the *Times* was understood to have been written by a Japanese.

Sir—With reference to the lecture delivered by Sir R. K. Douglas, and reported in your columns on Tuesday, I wish, as a Japanese, to offer one or two remarks, and beg that you will grant me space for that purpose. I am not a Christian, but I am most tolerant in my views, as, indeed, is the nation at large, so that my observations will, I trust, be deemed free from bias. That which Sir Robert has noticed in connexion with mission work in China I also notice in Japan, as regards the indiscretion that is characteristic in a measure both of the missionaries themselves and their converts. By this I allude to their over-zeal, which is the fruit, I am sure, of the best possible intentions, but tends too often to engender suspicion and cause irritation in the minds of the natives of Japan, thus defeating the success of their objects, and hindering the progress of their best endeavours. Among other things I have of late been assured that they are busily engaged in discriminating among my country people the idea that to die by one's own hand on the battle-field or on the deck of a war-ship is under no circumstance whatever permissible. This doctrine is laid down, in fact, in the journals published in Japan that are devoted to the spread of Christianity. I am willing to admit that the contention may be fully warranted on the basis of the Christian faith, but it is nevertheless indisputable that the bulk of the Japanese people do not approve of this teaching, and those who seek to inculcate it do so to the detriment of their real influence for good. The truth is that to us the theory is irreconcilable with the duties of a citizen, and the conclusion reached is, moreover, illogical. Frankly speaking, we Japanese are Europeans, but we are taught from infancy to recognize that there are things which we should value far above our own lives. And then it is for the majority of my countrymen exceedingly difficult to understand why a brave soldier who dashes upon his enemy in the face of a deadly hail of bullets from machine guns, knowing that he is rushing to certain death, should be exempt from blame for what is virtually, indeed actually, despite its element of noble self-sacrifice, a deed of self-destruction—the terms are here synonymous—and yet stigmatized as a "suicide" the man who, having fought desperately to the very last, despatches himself, by surrender, he should fall a prey to an enemy by whom he might, if the distinction is altogether too fine for our comprehension, and if we accept the *dictum* that he who may die under such conditions by his own hand commits a sin, then the soldier who advances to the attack under an avalanche of fire is equally a man to be condemned. Needless to say, wanton self-destruction for ignoble reasons is totally repugnant to our creed—quite as much so as it is in the West—but to condemn, *ad initium*, every act of suicide without regard to circumstances as sinful simply because it is at variance with preconceived notions is intolerant and bound to do violence to Japanese susceptibilities. I can assure you, Sir, that you may count on me as one of those Japanese—and we are a numerous body nowadays—who can appreciate European modes of thought and reasoning, but my regard for plain speaking does not permit me to tell you that I would sanction my children being brought up in the manner to which I have here alluded, nor would I allow them, if I could prevent it, to have access to the journals which disseminate such a doctrine, still less should I be content that they should profess a creed so much at variance in this respect with our established ideas of honour and duty. But pray let it be understood that I do not make this declaration from any disposition to oppose the Western religion. I am merely desirous of indicating the general trend of the educated Japanese mind, so that there may be no disappointment hereafter, and in order that—so free am I from bias—the missionaries may the better be able to judge of how they should deal with my country people, in order that they may avoid causing needless irritation or producing misunderstandings that would be little calculated to improve their prospects or promote the higher objects that no doubt they have at heart. To me it seems that there are tenets of modern Christianity which are not essential to its pure and original form as expounded in Galilee, and which it is neither absolutely essential nor politic for missionaries to enforce. It would be more discreet of them to adapt themselves to the real needs of the country they visit, and it was in this sense that I ventured at the outset to refer to their indiscretion. I will give a homely little illustration of what I mean. On a certain day in every year it is the custom in my country for the functionaries in the various schools and colleges, high and low, and likewise the students, to assemble in the principal hall, and bow, in heartfelt reverence, before the portrait of the Japanese Emperor. I will not attempt to draw parallels, though plenty could be found, even in the Occident, for this custom—such as the raising of the hand, the Salute to the National Anthem is being an act of "worship" than is the respect everywhere paid to European Sovereigns. But it has happened in Japan that a native teacher in a school took the opportunity presented by the occasion to openly refuse to bow his head in the customary manner before the Imperial photograph, on the ground that, having embraced Christianity, he could no longer do so, for he ought to reverence nothing but God. If this was the result of Christian teaching, it seems to me to have been downright mischievous and an exhibition of extreme narrow-mindedness infinitely to be deplored. There is surely much room for improvement in the missionary methods, and, as I claim to be sufficiently broad-minded to be thoroughly impartial, I hope that what I have ventured to say will, on their part, be taken amiss. At all events, I am glad that attention should have been called to the subject, and especially if Sir Robert Douglas's lecture should awaken interest in it anew, though, of course, the antagonistic spirit which he aptly describes as existent in China is by no means prevalent in Japan, where perfect freedom of thought is secured by the Constitution, and, moreover, the anti-foreign sentiment is absolutely non-existent.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,  
London, Nov. 10. NIPPON.

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Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. 2578

# "SCEPTICS" IN THE CHURCH.

There was a remarkable uprising, against the recent utterances of the Dean of Westminster and other clergymen at a meeting held in the King's Hall, Holborn, last month.

The building was crowded, and many a fiery word of repudiation and protest fell from the lips of the speakers in the interval between the hymns and prayers.

The keynote of the demonstration was struck in a letter of the Rev. T. Howard, who wrote that in view of what had been recently said by men in prominent and important positions not only in the Church of England but by Non-conformists, it seemed that some combined action on the part of God's servants from all denominations was a necessary and solemn duty at the present moment.

The Rev. F. S. Webster described in his letter the interview he had had with the Dean of Westminster.

Expressions of profound disapprobation came from the audience as the chairman (Mr. R. C. Morgan, editor of the "Christian") recalled the language of the rationalists as to distinguishing between the corn and the chaff of Scripture; their statement that Balaam's ass did not speak, and that the story of Jonah was a myth.

"We have even had a sermon on the agnosticism of Jesus," added the chairman, amid shouts of "Shame."

The Rev. Dinahs Young pointed out that "great and brilliant names do not always represent effective arguments." "Tremendous issues are at stake," exclaimed this speaker passionately. "We are not crying 'Wolf' needlessly. I deplore that there is so much scepticism inside the Church, and I wish it were all cleared out of the Church."

Another speaker (the Rev. Fuller Goodell) ridiculed the "hypothetical statement" of the Higher criticism, and the gathering cheered when he urged that Bradlaugh, and Tom Paine (with his "Age of Reason") were enemies, but enemies "outside the Church."

The soft notes of Pastor Sprague also joined in the general repudiation. His glorious father had foreseen that day—and was sad.

The meeting was not representative of any particular church, and no bitterness was manifested against any individual. It was a reverent, if determined, protest against "sceptics" in the pulpit.

In the course of the proceedings it was mentioned that the Evangelical Alliance was going to issue a manifesto on the question.—*Morning Leader.*

# THE RUSSIAN AND JAPANESE FLEETS.

The *Kobe Chronicle* in an article on Russia's naval power remarks: While the Baltic fleet is slightly superior to the Japanese in battle-ships, it is greatly inferior in cruisers, as will be seen from the following comparative table of the Squadron under Admiral Rozhdestvensky and that under Admiral Togo:

Russian.	Tons.	Japan.	Tons.
Admiral Nakamura	8,500	Izumo	8,500
Oleg	6,575	Iwate	9,800
Aurora	6,630	Asama	9,730
Dmitri Donkoi	6,893	Tokawa	9,730
Srielande	3,828	Adzuma	9,438
Almaz	3,285	Kasuga	7,583
Izumrud	3,103	Nishin	7,583
Zemchug	3,103	Chitose	4,784
Gromovoi	12,326	Itakushima	4,277
Rosalia	12,220	Hashidate	4,277
Bagatry	6,675	Naniva	3,727
		Takachibo	3,727
		Nitaka	3,470
		Tsushima	3,470
		Akatsushima	3,470
		Osawa	2,600
		Izumoto	2,600
		Suma	2,700
		Akashi	2,700
		Chiyoda	2,450
		Saizen	2,320
Total	72,212	Total	125,208

# GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:

Stonecutters, on WEDNESDAY, the 23th instant, in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards.  
Stonecutters, on FRIDAY, the 30th instant, in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards.

Lyemman, on FRIDAY, the 30th instant, night firing in the direction of Junk Bay, at ranges from 600 to 3,000 yards.  
If the weather is unfavourable on either date, Practice will take place on the following day, but, if unfavourable for night firing, the practice will be cancelled.

Practice will commence about 9 A.M. and finish about 11 A.M. if the ranges be clear at Stonecutters, and at 7 P.M. and finish about 9 P.M. at Lyemman.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.  
L. BARNES-LAWRENCE, Captain, R.N.,  
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Harbour Department,  
Hongkong, 21st December, 1904. 2558

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "HYSON."

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 19th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 23rd inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 27th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [10-11]

# NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer "MALTA."

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Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out, Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY, the 17th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [1]

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [2943]







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SHANGHAI	"CHITLI"	On 26th December.
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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 4th January 1905
ROON	WEDNESDAY 18th January
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 1st February
ZETEN	WEDNESDAY 15th February
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 1st March
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 15th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 29th March
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 26th April

ON WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of JANUARY, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "SEYDLITZ," Captain C. Döwiers, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.  
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Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.  
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STEAMSHIP	Tons	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL AT DAYLIGHT ON
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brahmer	January 31st, 1905.
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahle	February 20th, 1905.
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schuldt	March 12th, 1905.

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S.S. "ASCOT"	Captain C. E. Cox.
S.S. "INKUM"	Captain E. S. Pearce.
S.S. "SIKH"	Captain J. Rowley.
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The S.S. "SEALDA" will be despatched for Durban via Chin-Wan-Tao on SATURDAY, 24th inst.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, 19th November, 1904.

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(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* MANILA DIRECT	"YUENSANG"	... Fri., 23rd Dec., 4 P.M.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	... Tues., 3rd Jan., 3 P.M.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	First half of January	JAVA PORTS	Second half of January
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of January
TJIMAH	JAPAN	Second half of December	JAVA PORTS	Second half of December

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Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor, Hongkong, 12th December, 1904.

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"BENGAL," Captain G. Phillips, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this Port on SATURDAY, the 31st December, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Victoria," 6522 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in this vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Oriental," due in London on the 12th February, 1905. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further particulars, apply to  
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

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"SENECA," will be despatched as above on or about the 15th January, 1905.  
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**STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK, Oriental Freight Department.**  
Hongkong, 13th December, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. PROPOSED SAILINGS.

S.S. "RAS ISSA" ... About 20th Jan., 1905.  
S.S. "CLAVERDALE" ... 30th Jan., 1905.  
For freight and further information apply to  
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Hongkong, 8th November, 1904.

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SAILING SHIPS.  
ACORN, American 4-m. ship, 2937, McLellan, 19th Dec.—Kobe 9th Dec., General—Standard Oil Co.  
ANCONES, British barque, 1,770, Salter, 26th Nov.—Fremantle 20th Sept., Sandalwood—Order.  
GEO. T. HAY, British ship, 2,000, E. Spicer, 20th Dec.—Cebu 26th Nov., Ballast—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.  
PRINCE ROBERT, Norwegian 4-m. barque, 2,855, Hansen, 22nd Nov.—New York 9th July, Petroleum—Standard Oil Co.  
TARANG, American schooner, 70, Probst, 18th Dec.—Yap (Caroline Island) 4th Dec., Beche-de-mar.—G. P. Lammert.

BRITISH WARSHIPS.  
ALACRITY, British despatch-boat, 1,700, Comdr. R. M. Harbord.  
ALBION, H.M. battleship, 12,950, Fremantle.  
ALGERINE, British sloop, 1,050, Rowland.  
BRITONIA, British gunboat, 710, Com. T. D. Pratt.  
CHERUB, water tank and tug.  
GLORY, British battleship, 13,000, Hon. W. G. St. pford.  
HANDY, torpedo boat destroyer.  
HUMBER, British storeship, 1,400, P. M. Riddors.  
ORTER, torpedo boat destroyer, Lieut. E. H. Jellicoe.  
PACIFIC, British sloop, 1,050, John Nicholas.  
ROARIO, British sloop, 960, Vician.  
TAKU, British destroyer, 250, Cranford.  
TAMAR, receiving ship, Commodore C. G. Dicken.  
THETIS, British cruiser, J. C. A. Wilkinson.  
TIGER, British gunboat, 362, E. H. Keate.  
VIRAGO, torpedo boat destroyer.  
WATERWIT, British surveying ship, 630, Comdr. E. C. Hardy.

FOREIGN WARSHIPS.  
ADAMANTOR, Portuguese cruiser, 1,961, Ribeiro.  
CALALAO, U.S. gunboat, 235, Lieut. Dismaker.  
FURST BISMARCK, German cruiser, 11,000, Probst.  
GENERAL ALAVA, American transport, Captain Whitton.  
KAISERIN ELISABETH, Austrian cruiser, 4,000, Mirie.  
LUCAS, German gunboat, 851, Kroencke.  
VASCO DA GAMA, Portuguese cruiser, 3,000, Vasco de Carvalho.

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Alacrity, despatch-boat, 1,700 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p., Com. R. M. Harbord, Hongkong.  
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Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., in reserve, Hongkong.  
Amphitrite, 1st class cruiser, 11,000 tons, 13,000 h.p., Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O., Weihaiwei.  
Andromeda, cruiser, 12,500 tons, Capt. Nelson O'Mannney, Weihaiwei.  
Astraea, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 11 guns, 7,000 h.p., Captain Lionel G. Tufnell, Singapore.  
Bramble, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., in reserve, Hongkong.  
Britomart, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., in reserve, Hongkong.  
Centaur, battleship, 10,500 tons, Capt. Fegen, Weihaiwei.  
Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. Asser, Hongkong.  
Glory, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Hon. W. G. Stopford, Hon. Kong.  
Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., in reserve.  
Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Weihaiwei.  
Humber, storeship, 1,400 tons, Comdr. P. M. Riddors, Hongkong.  
Iphigenia, 2nd class cruiser, 3,000 tons, Capt. Fawcokner, Shanghai.  
Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 280 tons, 6 guns, 3,900 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. A. Gregory, Weihaiwei.  
Kinsla, river gunboat, 331 tons, Lieut.-Comdr. Christopher P. Metcalf, on Yangtze.  
Moonham, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. F. B. Noble, West River.  
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Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 350 tons, in reserve.  
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Taku, torpedo-boat destroyer, 250 tons, 6 guns, 5,600 h.p., Hongkong.  
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, 6 guns, Commodore C. G. Dickon, at Hongkong.  
Teal, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. E. F. R. Dugmore, on Yangtze.  
Thetis, cruiser, 3,400 tons, Capt. J. C. A. Wilkinson, Hongkong.  
Tweed, gunboat, 362 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. R. H. Keate, Hongkong.  
Vengeance, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. L. C. Stuart, C.M.G., Amoy.  
Virago, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, in reserve.  
Waterwitch, surveying-ship, 620 tons, 450 h.p., Comdr. C. Hardy, at Mirs Bay.  
Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,800 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Wells, Hongkong.  
Wivern, coast defence ship, armed, 2,570 tons, 1,000 h.p., in reserve, Hongkong.  
Woodcock, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Hugo Somerville, Yangtze.  
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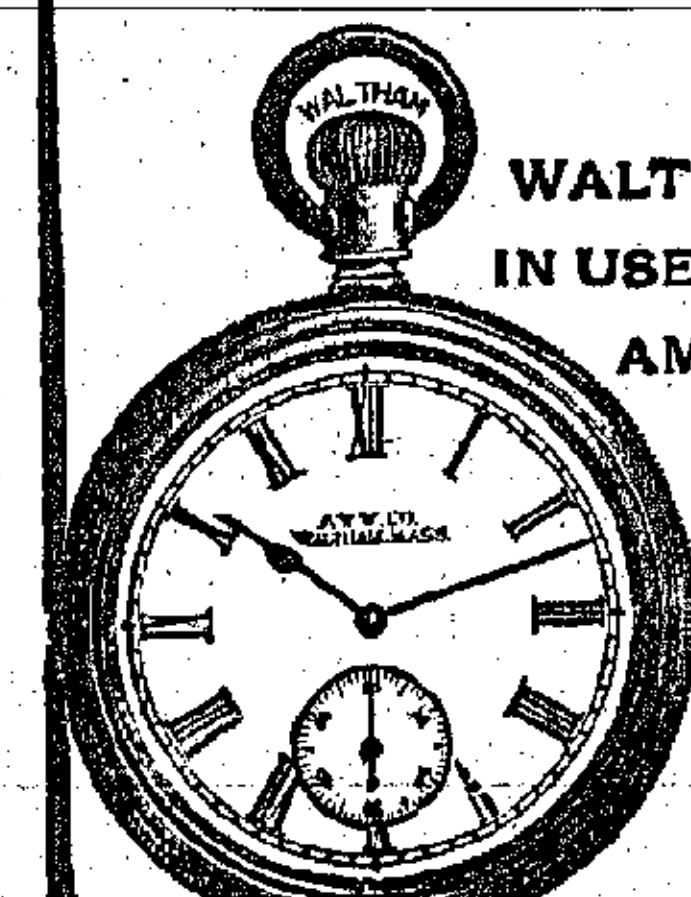
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